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**Building Blocks of
Business Success**

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Have you ever looked at
successful First Nation development corporations and
wondered, "What is the secret to their success"?

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Fixed or Floating

Frank Busch, Director, First Nations Finance Authority



When planning major projects, a First Nations community
must look at the long-run. There are many options available for financing such projects, but
are they all equal?

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INDIGENOUS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEWS

**Global Gathering Highlights Indigenous
Tourism's Enormous Promise**

(Indian Country Today)



A fierce Maori man, his body a tangle of tattoos and clad
only in a loincloth, stood in front of a Squamish First
Nation chief wearing a feather headdress. The two men stepped forward and pressed their
noses together.

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New fund plans to help Indigenous businesses compete for

government tenders (ABC News Australia)

The Federal Government recently announced it wanted to award 3 per cent of its contracts to Indigenous firms by 2020.

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Incubator meant to inspire fashion-based businesses (Eagle Feather News)

Five Indigenous women who own their own fashion businesses have created a fashion incubator to inspire others to start their own product, creative, and fashion based companies.

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Treaty 8 chiefs talk consultation, land rights with Notley

(Fort McMurray Today)

First Nation chiefs from Treaty 8 territory, which covers much of Alberta's oil sands, are hoping a meeting with Premier Rachel Notley will lead to improved social conditions and government relationships with aboriginal communities.

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One Arrow youth business club takes product to market

(Eagle Feather News)

An innovative and important product created by the One Arrow First Nation's Almightyvoice Education Centre Business Club has hit the market.

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Rise up: Raising awareness about indigenous issues

(Regina Leader-Post)

Making a fashion statement has taken on a whole new meaning.

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Record 10 indigenous MP's elected to the House of Commons (CBC)



There will be a record number of indigenous people in the House of Commons following Monday's federal election, which saw 10 indigenous MPs elected.

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On Another Note - Lets talk Energy...

In an effort to be inclusive and engaging, SFNEDN has partnered up with the First Nations Power Authority to offer the first-ever First Nations Community Energy Forum. This one-day event will bring together industry leaders, community leaders and government to talk about an issue affecting the world today - energy.

This forum will also be the platform used to award the SFNEDN community and individual of the year for their positive contributions in economic development.

[Register Online Here](#)

Presented by First Nations Power Authority and Saskatchewan First Nations Economic Development Network

First Nations Community Energy Forum

November 17, 2015

Saskatoon, SK

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 26 - 29, 2015

22nd Annual National Conference & Annual General Meeting - Toronto, Ontario

[Register Online Here](#)

November 3 - 4, 2015

2015 Creating Intersections for Growth Conference - Humbolt, Saskatchewan

[Register Online Here](#)

November 4, 2015

First Nation Policy and Program Structures

English River Business Centre - Saskatoon, SK.

RSVP to (306) 966 - 4041 (limited seating)

November 6, 2015 (12:00 pm - 4:30 pm. Lunch Provided)

Aboriginal Title, Treaty Rights and Land Use Management

English River Business Centre - Saskatoon, SK.

RSVP to (306) 966 - 4041 (limited seating)

November 12, 2015

Saskatchewan Financial Literacy Network

Sheraton Cavalier - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

[Register Online Here](#)

November 17, 2015

First Nation Energy Forum

Saskatoon Travelodge Hotel

[Register Online Here](#)

November 19, 2015

SIEF Annual General Forum - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

[Register Online Here](#)

November 24 - 25, 2015 (last day to register is Nov 16)

Fibre Connect Forum

University of Saskatchewan - Saskatoon, SK.

[Register Online Here](#)

November 26, 2015

Aboriginal Economic Development Corporation Conference

TCU Place - Saskatoon, SK.

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